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COMMITTEE (09.00) AND WORKING GROUPS (09.01 AND 09.02)

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PLEASE HAVE AGRICULTURAL ATTACHE PASS FOLLOWING INFOR-
MATION TO KOVALEV ASAP:

1. US SIDE AGREES TO TRY TO USE REVISED DATES FOR MEETINGS
SUGGESTED BY SOVIETS TO EXTENT POSSIBLE. HOWEVER, WE ARE
PUZZLED BY SOVIET PROPOSAL OF THREE DAYS FOR ECONOMIC
WORKING GROUP AND ONLY TWO EACH FOR R&T WORKING GROUP AND
JOINT COMMITTEE. WE ALSO NEED TO KNOW WHAT THEY HAVE IN
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MIND FOR "PRELIMINARY MEETING OF CO-CHAIRMEN".

2. IF DECEMBER 1-3 DEVOTED TO ECONOMIC WG, IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO INCLUDE IN THIS MEETING THE USUAL TALKS ON CURRENT SITUATION AND OUTLOOK IN BOTH COUNTRIES ON PRODUCTION, UTILIZATION AND TRADE OF MAJOR AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES.

3. OUR R&T WORKING GROUP MEMBERS FEEL THAT I, MAY BE NECESSARY TO USE HALF OF DECEMBER 8 IN ORDER TO COMPLETE

THIS MEETING.

4. IT MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE TO COMPLETE THE JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING DECEMBER 9 AND 10 IN VIEW OF AMOUNT OF MAJOR BUSINESS THAT WILL HAVE TO BE COMPLETED. OTHER HALF OF DECEMBER 8 MAY BE NEEDED FOR THIS MEETING. KISSINGER

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